

ST. LOUIS REGION FASTEST GROWING OCCUPATIONS

2022-2024

Employment in the St. Louis Region is projected to increase by 1.1 percent between 2022 and 2024, for a net change of more than 13,000 jobs. The growth rate is the difference between projected employment and estimated employment divided by estimated employment. The top 20 fastest growing occupations are projected to have a growth rate between 5.3 percent and 16.1 percent. The three fastest growing occupations are *First-Line Supervisors of Gambling Service Workers*; *Hotel, Motel, and Resort Desk Clerks*; and *Home Health and Personal Care Aides*. *Home Health and Personal Care Aides* have the most projected employment growth by net change (4,013), more than four times the employment change of *Cooks, Restaurant*, which has the next highest employment change (904) of the top 20 fastest growing occupations.

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Occupation	2022 Estimated Employment	2024 Projected Employment	Net Change	Percent Growth	Total Annual Openings	Median Annual Wage
First-Line Supervisors of Gambling Services Workers	248	288	40	16.1%	53	\$47,842
Hotel, Motel, and Resort Desk Clerks	1,617	1,843	226	14.0%	422	\$27,469
Home Health and Personal Care Aides	36,806	40,819	4,013	10.9%	7,870	\$22,927
Baggage Porters and Bellhops	238	263	25	10.5%	51	\$22,757
Preschool Teachers, Except Special Education	2,155	2,342	187	8.7%	336	\$29,966
Cooks, Restaurant	10,998	11,902	904	8.2%	2,209	\$28,678
Nurse Practitioners	2,992	3,206	214	7.2%	265	\$101,861
Tour and Travel Guides	528	565	37	7.0%	123	\$24,040
Ushers, Lobby Attendants, and Ticket Takers	918	981	63	6.6%	302	\$25,923
Umpires, Referees, and Other Sports Officials	363	387	24	6.6%	90	\$45,327
Exercise Trainers and Group Fitness Instructors	4,240	4,508	268	6.3%	912	\$36,727
Bartenders	4,597	4,877	260	6.1%	952	\$26,040
Rehabilitation Counselors	619	656	37	6.0%	75	\$43,149
Logisticians	1,362	1,443	81	6.0%	162	\$79,455
Meeting, Convention, and Event Planners	1,210	1,280	70	5.8%	163	\$48,348
Self-Enrichment Teachers	2,399	2,536	137	5.7%	349	\$35,824
Data Scientists	1,544	1,632	88	5.7%	156	\$94,981
Child, Family, and School Social Workers	2,635	2,785	150	5.7%	325	\$38,433
Substance Abuse, Behavioral Disorder, and Mental Health Counselors	1,706	1,801	95	5.6%	210	\$46,913
Medical and Health Services Managers	3,771	3,971	200	5.3%	402	\$99,822



Occupations with fewer than 50 annual openings are omitted.

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